RHODE ISLAND BOARD OF EXAMINERS IN DENTISTRY MINUTES OF OPEN MEETING

23 JULY 2008

A meeting of the Board of Examiners in Dentistry was held on the above date in the RI Department of Health, Health Policy Forum, Providence, Rhode Island. A quorum was established and the Chairman called the meeting to order at 8:35 a.m.

Board members in attendance were: Board members not in attendance were:

Henry Levin, DMD, Chairman Joseph Box, DMD
Andrew Molak, DDS Bernard Manchester
Christine Benoit, DMD Mary Lou Buonaccorsi
Craig VanDongen, DDS John Smith
Robert Bartro, DMD
Susan Perlini, RDH

At this time, the Chairman welcomed the newly appointed members of the Board, Dr. VanDongen and Dr. Bartro. He also advised the Board that Maureen Ross, RDH, BS had also been appointed, but was unable to attend today's due to a prior commitment.

Dr. Levin thanked Mrs. Gazzola on behalf of the Board and the Administrator on her dedication and commitment throughout her

thirteen years of serving on the Board.

Staff members in attendance were: Others in attendance were:

Gail Giuliano, Board Administrator Joanne Wilbur, Pres., RIDAA

Kathleen Gazzola

The Chairman, called for a motion to approve the "Open Minutes" of the 14 May 2008 meeting. Upon motion of Dr. Benoit, seconded by Dr. Molak, the Board voted unanimously to accept the minutes as presented.

Sub-Committee for Dental Licensure

Dr. Molak reported that following candidates had been licensed since the last meeting:

Sharon A. Trahan, DMD

Jeffrey M. Collura, DMD

David Stephens, DMD

Rupesh Udeshi, DDS

Matthew Geneser, DDS

Radhika Chawla, DMD

Kyung-Hong Kim, DDS

Christine L.Bender, DMD

Albelardo Valdes, DDS

Gaganpreet S. Gill, DMD

Scott A. Allegretti, DDS

Zuzana Mendez, DMD

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Ten Limited Dental Resident licenses were issued effective 1 July 2008.

Upon motion of Ms. Perlini, seconded by Dr. Bartro, the Board approved the licensure of the aforementioned individuals.

Sub-Committee for Dental Hygiene Licensure

Ms. Perlini reported that the following candidates have been issued dental hygiene licenses since the last meeting;

Dental Hygiene Licenses Issued since last meeting:

Jenna L. Arpen, RDH Jennifer Shaw, RDH

Aubrie Mazza, RDH Elizabeth Cargill, RDH -

Rene A. Sandoval, RDH Jennifer L. Sinapi, RDH

Nicole K. Wolfe, RDH Regina Alarie, RDH

Kimberly Jessop, RDH - Nicole Petrocelli, RDH

Nicole Sauro, RDH Tara Squillace, RDH

Dina Watkins, RDH Anzhela Dushukyan, RDH

Emily Forbes, RDH Lindsey Marquis, RDH

Erica Hickey, RDH Kristen Verchot, RDH

Nycole Main, RDH Jillian Unwin

Sarah Stevenson, RDH Mirella Khatter, RDH
Jennifer Woodhall RDH Melissa Richard, RDH
Jennifer Stewart, RDH Ariana Quinlivan, RDH
Elise Dionne, RDH Emi Chavers, RDH
Kate Breton, RDH Patricia A. Willard, RDH
Kari Gordon, RDH Behnaz Zandbod, RDH

Dental Hygiene Local Anesthesia Permits:

Julie Varieur, RDH Lynn Pingitore,RDH

Jennifer Ayvasian-Moorehead Mary Solecki, RDH

Kate Breton, RDH Jennifer Stewart,RDH

Dawn M. Pariseault, RDH

Upon motion of Dr. VanDongen, seconded by Dr. Benoit, the Board approved the licensure of the aforementioned individuals.

The Chairman called for a motion to adjourn the "Open Session" and enter into "Closed Executive Session" for the purpose of discussing disciplinary matters pursuant to the applicable exceptions of the "Open Meeting Law", so called of Chapter 42-46-5 sub-division (1) and (4) of the General Laws. Upon motion by Ms. Perlini, seconded by Dr. Molak, the Board voted unanimously to enter into "Executive Session" at 9:00 a.m.

Ms. Wilbur and Mrs. Gazzola recused themselves from the meeting at this time.

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The Board returned to "Open Session" at 9:25 a.m. and Ms. Wilbur and Mrs. Gazzola returned to the open meeting.

Decisions Ratified in Closed Session& public business discussed: There were no decisions ratified, nor public business to be disclosed that was discussed in Closed Executive Session.

The following cases were reported out in Closed Executive Session with findings of No Unprofessional Conduct

DEN 63-07 DEN 68-07

DEN 02-08 DEN 03-08

DEN 04-08 DEN 06-08-

DEN 07-08 DEN 19-08

DEN 22-08 DEN 24-08

DEN 25-08 DEN 26-08

DEN 27-08 DEN 28-08

DEN 30-08 DEN 31-08

DEN 37-08 DEN 39-08

Sealing of the Closed Executive Minutes

The Chairman called for a motion to seal the minutes of the "Closed Executive Session" of 14 May 2008 meeting pursuant to Section 42-46 (1) and (2). Upon motion of Dr. Benoit, seconded by Dr. Bartro, the Board Voted unanimously to seal the closed minutes of 14 May 2008 meeting.

At this time, Dr. Benoit addressed the Board regarding concerns she has relative to the recent prohibition of dentists in ordering compounding pharmaceuticals. After discussion, the Administrator advised that she would invite Catherine Cordy, Chief of the Pharmacy Board to discuss this issue at the next Board meeting.

The next meeting of the Board is scheduled for 17 September 2008 in the Health Policy Forum.

Upon motion of Dr. Molak, seconded by Dr. Benoit, it was unanimously VOTED by the Board to adjourn the meeting at 9:40 a.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Henry Levin, DMD, Chairman
RI Board of Examiners in Dentistry